

PRACTICE NOTE 13

PRESENCE OF NON-COUNSEL AT COUNSEL TABLE

1. Ordinarily, no one except counsel should be seated at the tables provided for them in the courtroom.
2. Everyone else, including police officers, should be seated in the area provided for the general public.
3. If counsel wish to have the accused, or a client, or a peace officer, or some other person, with them at the counsel table during a trial, such counsel should first seek the Court's permission, identify the person and give the reason why they wish to have him or her seated at the counsel table.
4. Until permission is given, that person should not be seated at the counsel table.
5. Anyone who does get permission to sit at the table with counsel must dress and act at all times in a manner fitting to the dignity of the Supreme Court.
6. COUNSEL SHOULD remind their clients and witnesses that they should remain quiet while in the courtroom and that if they leave while the court is in session they must do so quietly.